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REPORT ON THE APRIL MEETING (13/4/08) PIONEER CEMETERY WALK

This was a well organized and highly successful outing to the Albury Pioneer Cemetery bounded by Waugh Road, Buckingham Street, St James Crescent and Bungambrawatha Creek.

One hundred people attended the walk and heard presentations by Pauline Harbick, Chris McQuellin, Pam Palffy, Val Symons, Kevin Monte, Howard Jones, Rupert Paech and Doug Hunter. John Henwood, Helen Livsey and Ray Gear contributed to the research for some presentations. Ann Brennan took photos of the graves visited.

The walk concluded with a picnic afternoon tea at the Lychgate.

Lester & Son provided a mobile PA system that made it possible for the large crowd to hear every word.

Regrettably we were con-

fronted by evidence of recent vandalism resulting in serious damage to a number of headstones and also the plumbing fittings in the toilet block. Albury police are investigating and Albury Council are repairing damage where possible.

ABH ARCHIVES DATA BASE

Our thanks to Brian Haynes for his work in designing a database for us to catalogue the Albury Base Hospital heritage items that were listed and repacked more satisfactorily by our team last year.

The database will enable the items to be catalogued by type, date, provenance if known and by location. Descriptions of items may be augmented by adding photographs. Brian has done an excellent job for us. We thank him most sincerely.

NEXT MEETING

WEDNESDAY

14 MAY 2008

7.30pm at Commercial
Club

Albury

Speakers: Arch McLeish
"A history of road trans-
port in Albury."

and

Eric Cossor "My experi-
ence as a baker in
Albury."

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Please see last month's question. We didn't pose it at the Cemetery Walk.

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Poem by Luke Gulson

From his home Luke Gulson looked over Waite's Lagoon and the site of Albury's early burial ground. A poem attributed to him includes the lines:

*When the still night over all the land in dusky shade has spread his hand
'Tis sweet along the pleasant strand to wander forth alone.*

*By yonder sandhills rounded sweep, where sable chieftains silent sleep,
And nodding ferns above them weep, on the banks of Waite's Lagoon.*

*When our own race fierce onward rolled in search of empire and of gold
Some here have fell in days of old, and silent laid them down.*

*No Christian cross points out the spot, no slab or stone recounts their lot,
Alike by friend and foe forgot, they sleep by Waite's Lagoon.*

MAJOR RODRIGO GAMMELLI

(1894-1945)

Compiled by Chris McQuellin

Rodrigo Gammelli was an Italian Prisoner of War. He was born on 5 October 1894 at Teramo in east central Italy. Major Gammelli was married but had no children. He was living in Teramo prior to being conscripted into the Italian war effort. He was working as a Hospital Superintendent prior to the war, but was a trained lawyer.

He was with his unit Div 28 Ottobre in North Africa when he was captured by the British. Italy had entered the war in June 1940 and conflict started in Libya almost immediately with British forces. Rodrigo Gammelli was already 47 when captured at Bardia (a small town on the Mediterranean coast of Libya) in January 1941. He was transferred to Australia as a POW on the Queen Mary, where he arriving at Sydney on 16 August 1941. Gammelli was described on his record as 5' 10" (178cm), 194 pounds (90kg), fair complexion, grey hair and blue eyes and no distinguishing marks.

Major Gammelli was initially sent to the Murchison POW camp but was later transferred to the Myrtleford POW camp in June 1942 where he was to remain until he contracted pneumonia in March 1945.

Because of his illness he was transferred to 106th Army General Hospital at Bonegilla on the 17 March but died two weeks later. He was aged 51.

He was buried here with prayers offered by Father Henry and with some officers from the Myrtleford Camp in attendance. The Australian Army paid for his funeral.

There were other Italian POWs buried in this row as well. To the west was Private Carmine Romano and to the east, Major Ugo Morra.

This was not the end of the story however. What is unusual is that this and the graves to either side are now empty.

In 1961, following a petition from a prominent Italian Luigi Gigliotti in the Goulburn Valley the Italian POWs in the Albury Pioneer Cemetery were exhumed by order of the NSW government. Lester and Sons of Albury were contracted to complete the exhumation. The work was undertaken by Mr. Alan Henshaw.

The remains were taken by Army trucks to be reinterred in the Italian Mausoleum located at the German War Cemetery at Murchison. The Mausoleum was built and paid for by the Italian settlers in the Goulburn Valley.

In fact all Italian POWs who died in custody in Australian POW Camps are now buried there.

HIRAM WILLIAM HOWARD AND MARY ANN MARIA HOWARD (NEE BROOKER)

Compiled by Pam Palffy (nee Howard)

Hiram William was born 8 Feb 1857 at Howlong, the third of twelve children to Hiram and Eleanor (nee Brien) Howard, who had settled in the Howlong district in the mid 1850s. His grandfather was Thomas Howard a convict, transported in 1810 and who settled in the Hawkesbury District.

Hiram's claim to fame is related to the 1870 Melbourne Cup. Quoting from an article that appeared in the *Border Morning Mail*:-

"The Melbourne Cup of 1870 held special interest for this district when young Hiram Howard of Howlong was selected to ride the locally trained Valentine, owned by Henry Bowler of Mitta. As far as can be established from the records Hiram Howard, then only aged 13, is probably the youngest ever to pilot a mount in the blue ribbon event of the racing calendar. *Valentine* was ridden from Howlong to Wahgunyah, then put aboard a river steamer for Echuca, the journey to Melbourne was then completed by rail.

Riding brilliantly with all the skill and assurance of a veteran, young Howard brought *Valentine* from well behind to finish a close third to *Nimblefoot* and *Lapdog*."

Spurred on by this near success, Henry Bowler entered *Valentine* in the 1871 Melbourne Cup. This time Billy Yeomens, the trainer, led *Valentine* behind a hack to Melbourne whilst Hiram rode *Formosa* to Melbourne. It was the year of the great floods and frequently, particularly in the journey's early part, the horses had to swim flooded streams. However, in spite of this and having carried his jockey 200 miles before facing the barrier, *Formosa* went on

to win the VRC Oaks from a strong field in easy style.

Valentine took his place in the Cup, but suffering from an internal complaint, as a result, he finished badly, 15th from 23 in the field.

Some years later, young Hiram who by then owned the Federal Hotel in Townsend Street Albury, operated the Coaching Services between Howlong and Albury, also Howlong and Corowa.

Hiram's wife, Mary Ann Maria Brooker 1855-1923, was the great granddaughter of Mary Wade 1778-1859 and William Brooker. Mary Wade was convicted as a 10 year-old and sentenced to death, but later commuted to life in the colony. She was transported in 1791 on the *Lady Juliana*. We share Mary Wade our ancestor, with our current Prime Minister Kevin Rudd.

Hiram William and Mary Ann had 9 children, their 7th child was Alexander (Thomas Charles), my grandfather.

LUKE GULSON

Compiled by Helen Livsey

When Luke Gulson arrived in Australia, from Essex in England, he was trained as a potter but otherwise was comparatively uneducated. He was a voracious reader and acquired a large and varied fund of general knowledge so as to hold his own with men who, in youth, had enjoyed infinitely better opportunities.

He had a remarkable memory and was an enthusiastic Shakespearean, of whom he could quote entire pages. One of his sons, buried nearby, was named Hamlet. As a public speaker and debater he could have made his mark anywhere. He was known for his writings, especially the humorous ones, which were considered above average for amateurs. He was a great believer in Mechanics' Institutes and attended to his own education at the Albury one, hearing a number of speakers and debates,



William C Bowen

in the building which later became the Plaza Theatre and was demolished in the 1960s to make way for an enlarged Dean Square. Luke established Gulson's Pottery Works in South Albury with his brother, Francis. He continued to operate it after their partnership was dissolved in 1881 and Francis left for Goulburn. Between 1877 and 79 Luke was also the licensee of the Turk's Head Hotel near the Union Bridge. During his time at the hotel one of the permanent residents was poet, John Farrell, who was managing the nearby brewery.

Gulson's Pottery Works manufactured: roofing tiles which were only one-third as heavy as the old English tiles; glazed drainpipes; flooring and garden edging tiles; paving bricks; and red, white and blue pressed bricks. Also flower pots and vases; butter coolers, cheese pans and milk churns.

Clay was obtained from Albury, Table Top and Chiltern, with white clay from Temora. Luke had a contract to supply large pipes for roadworks, and bricks for the engine house and smoke stack of the Albury Waterworks.

He built a malt house in Olive Street for the Albury Brewery which was near the Union Bridge. Tiles were used on Edmondson's house in Forest Hill and, of course, on his own house at *The Potteries* in David Street.

Luke served on the Albury council for 27 years and was mayor in 1884. He was an unsuccessful parliamentary candidate on three occasions. He had ten children, most of whom moved away from Albury.

WILLIAM CHARLES BOWEN

(22/11/1849-5/11/1903)

Compiled by Rupert Paech

William Bowen was the second of twelve children born to Daniel and Catherine Bowen of Evandale, Tasmania. His early years were spent in Tasmania. It is not known when he moved to N.S.W. He married Jessie Nelson at Gum Creek, Toganmain in the Hay district in 1884. At that time he was overseer at *Eurolee* Station. In what was considered a move up in employment, he became manager of the *Walla Walla* Station about 1888 and with great success, as he remained in that position to his death.

He was noted for his sheep breeding skills importing rams from Tasmania. He introduced share-farmers to the station possibly in the 1890s, using the very settlers that the station had tried to keep out in previous years.

A member of the Pasture and Stock Board, a Magistrate, President of the Walla Walla Farmers Union, member of the Pastoral & Agricultural Society, later known as the Albury Show Society; an interest he shared with John Wenke, no doubt travelling together to meetings.

After his first wife died, he remarried to her sister Grace in 1895. There were children from both unions.

After two weeks of ill health (heart) he passed away on the station 5/11/1903, apparently just after he returned from Albury. His obituary stated the respect that the district held for William Bowen.

DR JOHN CRICHTON
(-1847)

Compiled by Pauline Harbick

Dr John Crichton was a surgeon in the British Navy for 15 years before he settled in Albury in 1841, five years after Robert Brown, the first white settler. He was Albury's first medical man and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him. His monument notes that he was a true "Good Samaritan."

Doctors Point, where he owned land, was named after him – this land was given to him by Elizabeth Mitchell who was a close friend. He died in 1847 and was originally buried at "The Sandhill" in South Albury. His body was repatriated to the Pioneer Cemetery in 1860.

Dr JE Owen erected a large monument in his memory. Dr Owen is buried close by. Dr Crichton's brothers erected the

monument on Dr Owen's grave.

WILLIAM EDWIN LAMPOR
(1832-1890)

Compiled by Helen Livsey

William Edwin Lamport came from Wales and spent half of his life in Albury. He had done some mining at Black Range (Lavington) and later became a road contractor. He served on Albury council for seven years. During his term as Mayor in 1882 the railway station was used for the first time, contracts were let for the railway line between Albury and Wodonga, and Alexandra Park was dedicated for public use. He owned land in Macauley and Hovell Streets some of which was resumed for the railway.

He was on the first committee of the Albury Racing Club in 1881 and a member of the Masonic Lodge. When he died in 1890 he was described as an old resident of Albury, although he was only 58.

William Lamport had a son, Alfred Edwin Lamport, who is not buried here, although that almost happened!! Alfred was manager of the Henty branch of the Bank of NSW in 1901 when he and the accountant (a young Mr Hazelton) were victims of an armed hold-up in the Manager's office. Mr Lamport extracted a gun from a drawer and wounded one of the robbers who in turn shot Mr Lamport. The bank obviously looked after their employees very well in those days. After he had fully recovered from his wounds he was given a year's leave on full pay and a cheque for £500 to enable him to take a trip to Europe. In addition he was presented with a watch and chain, and a beautifully embossed letter enclosed in morocco binding. The Government

presented him with a gold medal for valour. The medal and address were eventually presented to the Westpac Museum at The Rocks in Sydney and should still be able to be seen there. The robbers were sentenced to twelve years imprisonment.

ELIZA KILFOIL
(1842-1905)

Compiled by Ray Gear

Eliza Kilfoil (nee O'Mealey) was born in 1842 in Limerick Ireland and was the daughter of John and Helen O'Mealey. Her father was a hotel keeper.

She came to Australia in the mid 1850s as a 13 or 14 year old and spent about ten years living in Victoria.

Record searches revealed she was married twice. Her first husband was Thomas Parker whom she married at the age of 17 in Beechworth.

Her second husband was John Kilfoil who she married on 22 November 1865 when she was just 23. They had only been married for about 2 years when John passed away in November of 1867.

John Kilfoil was the licensee of the Imperial Hotel at 473 Townsend Street Albury. (Remember Townsend Street was then part of the main road to Melbourne.)

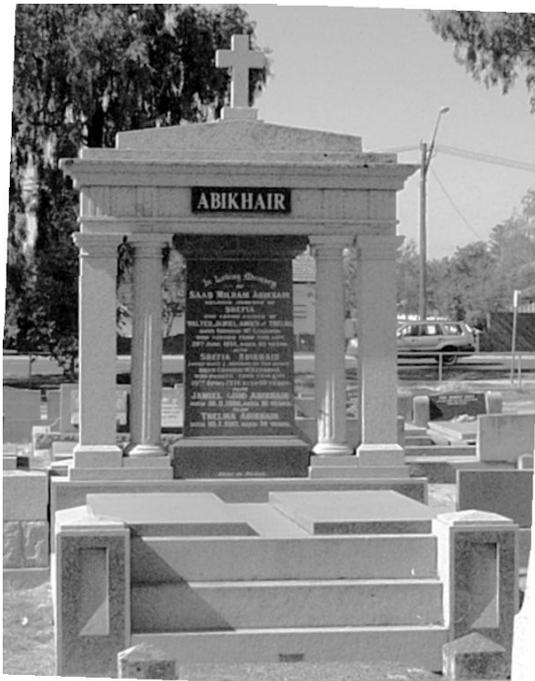
Following his death Eliza took over the running of the hotel, purchasing it in 1868 for the not inconsiderable sum of £1800. Over the next decade the Imperial became known by visitors to Albury as a first class hotel.

In 1879 Eliza retired as the licensee and purchased and developed a number of properties in Albury including the Albury Club Hotel. She was known as a kind hearted and generous and charitable woman.

Eliza passed away in July 1905 aged 63 and was remembered as an old and respected resident of Albury. She left most of her estate to her son Thomas Parker.



Robert Wilkinson



Saad Milham Abikhair

JOHN D LANKESTER

(1837-1937)

Compiled by Pauline Harbick

JD Lankester was born in Litchfield, Staffordshire, England in 1837 came to Australia in 1849 on a ship that took 145 days. He lived firstly near the Hunter River and then in Sydney where he was the manager for Lindemans wine during the 1860s. In 1868 he moved to Albury to manage the wine business of James Fallon which had extensive vineyards in what we now know as Quicks Hill. Subsequently he was granted 100 acres of land at Emu Park, Ettamogah and 150 acres at Mungabareena (1871) and started his own vineyards. He was the founder of Albury Vine and Fruit Growers Association and Chairman of the Albury & District Agriculture Bureau. He worked hard to promote the agriculture industry in the district and was especially interested in fruit growing.

In 1920, aged 82, he retired and set out to travel around Australia including WA and Qld to visit his 10 children and 30 grandchildren. After 15 years he resettled in Albury with his daughter and died aged 100 in

1937. He was Albury's oldest resident at that time.

ROBERT WILKINSON

(1863-1907)

Compiled by Howard Jones

Robert Wilkinson, a coachbuilder turned Dean Street draper, died of consumption (TB) in July 1907 aged 44. He was a go-ahead man who was elected mayor only a year after getting on council in 1902 and served three terms. In 1907 he died leaving a wife and five children aged 20 to a baby.

His funeral reflected practices a century ago when big funerals were a mix of motor cars, horse-drawn vehicles and walkers. Apart from being a councillor, he was in the Manchester Unity Oddfellows, had helped revive the town band and was in numerous organisations.

Six Oddfellows carried his coffin from his house to the hearse and the town councillors were the pall bearers. A procession to the cemetery was led by the town band in full uniform, followed by the Oddfellows brethren and two mourning coaches, presumably with the wife and children. Then came the Presbyterian minister, the church elders, councillors and council employees. After them came the committees of the Racing Club, the Albury District Hospital, the Chamber of Commerce and the Albury Single-Tax League. Each man was listed in the *Albury Banner*. Wilkinson's doctor and lawyer completed the formal procession, but scores walked behind.

A few days later a memorial service was held at his church. Town councillors marched while the band played "Onward Christian Soldiers." The Albury Botanic Garden gates are a memorial to Robert Wilkinson.

SAAD MILHAM ABIKHAIR

(-1932)

Compiled by Pauline Harbick

Saad Milham Abikhair was born in what we now know as Lebanon. He emigrated with his family to Melbourne and worked as a hawker with a horse and cart in the 1890s before settling in Albury in 1896.

His first store was the Beehive Building on corner of Dean & Townsend Streets, currently Rod Pike Chemist. He owned the building jointly with his cousin Betro Abicare. Later Saad moved across Townsend Street to the current site of the golf shop while Betro moved to Dean & David Street where he opened The Big Store, now a lighting shop. Betro subsequently built the Regent Theatre and a service station on the third corner.

In 1905 Saad traded from Olive Street, now a bridal shop. In 1917, the family built a large store on the corner of Olive and Swift Streets where Saad's drapery and haberdashery business operated continuously, except for a short closure owing to fire in the 1940s, until 1996.

The family had a furniture shop next door in Olive St. They also built shops for tenants in Dean Street and these still bear the "Abikhairs Buildings" sign on top of a camping store and a clothing store opposite the Commonwealth Bank.

In 1902 Saad married Shafia who came out from Lebanon. They had 4 children Wally (d1997), James (d1986), Allan (d1999) and Thelma (d1987) and the family home was in Swift Street. Allan was the only one to marry.

Wally, also known as Mr Wal, worked in the shop until

it closed in December 1996 when he was 92. The closing down sale went for 1 year and the shop remained much as it had in the 1920s.

THE SUTHERLAND FAMILY GRAVE

Compiled by John Henwood

Val Symons (nee Henwood) and John Henwood are grandchildren of Peter and Ina Sutherland. Ina is an abbreviation of Thomasina that you see on the grave. John's and my earliest memories of this grave are coming out with our mother each year to put flowers on it and check its condition.

In the 1940s there was no problem with vandals in the Albury Cemetery, so the grave had four urns and a large number of glass domes with artificial flowers in them. In fact it looked virtually the same as the photos taken in the late 1920s.

The first grave on this plot was for one of the sons of Peter and Ina Sutherland. Roy was only 13½ when he died at Albury in 1910.

The grave you see here was constructed after Peter Sutherland died at Albury on 27 December 1927. It is obvious from John's research in the probate records that the construction of

the grave was driven by his widow Ina. In 1982 our mother spent \$1,200 to dismantle the monument and install new reinforced concrete foundations. The Sutherland family has had a long association with the Upper Murray and Albury. Peter came to Thologolong Station in 1885 as the managing partner for his cousin JG Sutherland and his brother-in-law Joshua Cushing, an American from Boston. Thologolong is on the Victorian side of the Murray between Granya and Walwa. Peter was a wool classer who worked in the Upper Murray and possibly worked on the property before settling there.

In those days Thologolong was, like the rest of the Upper Murray, a rather isolated place. The partners paid about £10,000 for it and this would have been cheaper than a similar property closer to Melbourne.

On Thologolong Peter established in 1887 one of the earliest Angus studs in Australia.

Cattle were shown in the Albury Show for 30 years and they walked all the way to the showgrounds. Peter was well known as a judge of cattle and sheep at country shows and those in Sydney and Melbourne.

In the 20th century Thologolong was also the place where the Murray Grey breed of cattle began. Ina's father, JC Carter, owned Bungil station which was next door to Thologolong. She and Peter were married in 1887 at Rosebrook Station at Horsham, where Ina had spent her childhood. Peter and Ina had twelve children, our mother being about halfway down the line-up.

Peter and Ina were both very active in community affairs in the Upper Murray and in Albury. Peter was a member of the Towong Shire for 39 years and president ten times. He was also on the committees of the Tallangatta Agricultural Society and the Albury Show Society where, in his thirty years of membership, he was twice president.

After his unexpected death from pneumonia in 1927 the *Border Mail* headline was:

“THE LATE PETER SUTHERLAND

LAND

Long Record of Public Service
Tribute of Colleagues”

Fellow councillors described him as the “father” of the council”. Both the *Border Mail* and the *Upper Murray and Mitta Herald* carried similar reports where fellow councillors paid tribute to his qualities as a leader.

The *Border Mail* report on the Towong Shire meeting of 9 January 1928 said: “Reference was made to the death of an esteemed colleague the late Councillor Peter Sutherland, and an adjournment of ten minutes took place as a token of respect for his memory. The Shire flag flew



Sutherland Family grave

at half mast all day, and the late councillor's chair was draped in black until the close of the meeting."

The *Border Mail* has more references to Peter Sutherland's death expressing great regret at his passing.

Peter along with his wife Ina, were involved in raising funds for community projects. In the period before 1912, when Ina moved to Albury for the children's education, an annual picnic race meeting was run at Thologolong. This was held to raise money for hospitals such as the Beechworth Hospital and charitable institutions such as the Newtown Orphanage.

Ina died on the 1 May 1932 at Albury. The *Albury Banner* 6 May 1932 in the obituary said the: "*Deceased was noted for her charitable works, and, when living at Thologolong and Albury, befriended many. She was an enthusiastic worker for charitable institutions. She was a life member of the Beechworth Hospital and Benevolent Society. During her residence in Albury she did splendid work for the Albury District Hospital, the Benevolent Society, Parents and Citizens' Association, Empire Day, patriotic movements and every branch of work for returned soldiers. Her life was largely devoted to deeds of charity.*"

The deaths of two of their sons, Jack and Ben in WWI are commemorated on the inscriptions on the grave. A daughter Alice Marion Pfeiffer who died in 1948 is buried in the grave along with Roy who died in 1910.

FLORA McEACHERN

(1811-1897)

Compiled by Ray Gear

Flora McEachern was a native of Argyle Scotland. When just 17 she married John McEachern in Tyree. They emigrated to Australia in the late 1830s and were among the earliest settlers in the Murray district.

They arrived in Albury in 1853 after 13 years living at Jugiong near Yass. John McEachern took over the Hotel Victoria in Townsend Street. He renamed it the Gold Diggers. The hotel was near the site of the Elm Court Motel.

When her husband died two years later in 1855, Flora briefly took over running the hotel before also running the Squatters Hotel. This made her one of the earliest female hotel keepers in Albury, if not the earliest. In 1858 she established another Gold Diggers Hotel located on the corner of Hume and Townsend Streets, however her stay there was short lived.

She had been a widow for over 40 years when she died in September of 1897. Flora was survived by two sons Archibald and John and a daughter Isabella (Jordan).

WILLIAM JOHN EDDY (1887-1930)

&

ADELINE JANE EDDY (1882-1962)

Compiled by Kevin Monte

My grandfather, William John Eddy, passed away on 23 August 1930 aged 58 years. I have no recollection of him. For some reason I was told very little about him other than he was my grandfather and worked as a labourer.

My grandmother, Adeline Jane Eddy, died on 22 April 1962 aged 80 years. I have many fond memories of her. I was 30 years old at the time of her passing. She was born in 1882 but I don't know where.

The second grave contained 3 of the 11 Eddy children. Edith Mary Eddy died 6 December 1900 aged 1 year and 4 months; I believe meningitis was the cause of her death. Joseph Henry Eddy was accidentally killed in Goulburn, 25 April 1928 aged 18 years and 3 months. I believe he died as a result of a motorcycle accident. William John Eddy passed away 26 October 1960. He was a blacksmith and farrier; the shop

where he worked was in Townsend Street for many years. I believe he was in his fifties. He never married and lived with his mother in Hovell Street.

My mother's maiden name was Eddy, she was born in Gerogery in 1905.

I believe prior to WW 1 the family moved to Hovell Street Albury. An area between Wodonga Place and Townsend Street was owned by my grandparents. As the family members married they also settled in Hovell Street. Five houses were built over a period of time with room to spare.

Not all members of the family settled in Albury. Eventually as the families passed on, or moved the property was sold to make way for industrial and commercial development.

JAMES SCANLAN

(1870-1920)

Compiled by Chris McQuellin

James Patrick Scanlan was born in El Dorado near Wangaratta in 1871 and moved to Albury with his parents when he was about twelve years old.

In 1892, he joined with Fred Blacklock to start a bicycle business in Kiewa Street, but by 1896 he had his own business in Townsend Street. He was an exhibitor at the 1896 Albury Industrial Exhibition held in Mechanics' Institute in Dean Street. By 1899 he was again in partnership with Blacklock.

In 1899, James Scanlan enlisted in the 1st NSW Mounted Rifles Contingent to the Boer War and evidently remained in South Africa for some years after the war ended. When he returned to Albury he joined the family plumbing business. He also

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**Advertisement in the *Argus Woman's Magazine*
26 June 1946. What optimistic and confident young
woman of emerging post-war society could resist such
subtle reverse psychology? They needed good eyesight to
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became interested in the moving picture business and his obituary credited him as being the pioneer of screening moving pictures in Albury.

He was secretary to the Albury Town Band for a number of years and also took a prominent part in football and road cycling. His home was in Sackville Street in Albury.

When WWI broke out in August 1914, Scanlan again enlisted and sailed in December 1914. He saw a great deal of service on the Western Front and when he returned after four years he was in very poor health.

In early 1920 while living at Walbundrie NSW, he suffered serious illness. He went to the Military Hospital in Sydney but the examination there was inconclusive. He returned to Albury where he died in June of that year. The *Albury Daily News* of Saturday 5 June 1920 reported that the funeral of the late Mr James Scanlan would take place on Sunday 6 June 1920. Returned soldiers were encouraged to attend the funeral procession.

JOURNEYING THROUGH THE JOURNALS

by John Craig

NSW Historic Houses Trust March 2008.

•Calendar of events March/April/May 2008.

The Argyle Bulletin: Goulburn HS & FHS Journal Feb. 2008.

•The Jury versus Jacky Jobson (cattle rustler; horse stealer; highway robber and gaol escapee).

Wagga Wagga HS Newsletter Feb/May 2008.

•Huthwaites of Wagga "The friendly store". Part 2

Murrumbidgee Ancestor: Wagga Wagga FHS Journal Feb. 2008.

•The story of Albert Chaplin; Winner of Champion of Australia Medal 1914: Port Adelaide v Carlton. Killed in action WW1.

Richmond River (Lismore) HS Bulletin March 2008.

•The Jewish Community of early

Lismore.

Memento: National Archives of Australia Magazine January 2008.

•Thirty year old Cabinet documents of Fraser government released 1/1/08.

•Helping the war effort of WW2.

Growing produce in our own backyards.

Parramatta Packet: Parramatta FHG. Newsletter March/June 2008.

•Parramatta Buildings.

•Old Parramatta: George Street 50 years ago.

ANOTHER RED CROSS GIFT TO HOSPITAL

A *Border Morning Mail* article of 14 March 1947 carried this headline. The article went on:

A truck arrived at Albury District Hospital yesterday piled high with furniture and equipment – another Red Cross gift to the institution, this time from the Victorian division. The goods were from Bonegilla military hospital, and include three combination wardrobes, about £100 worth of ward screens, stacks of deck chairs, two wheel couches, a food conveyor (valued at £100), tea conveyor, and a wheeled stand for books. It is hoped to start a library service at the hospital for which the last named item would be essential. Hospital secretary (Mr Spencer Taylor) estimated the value of the goods at about £1000. Recently the hospital received a gift of goods to a similar value from the NSW division of the Red Cross.

Is it possible we might find a remnant of these sixty year-old gifts somewhere in the ABH Heritage collection?

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Members are advised the AGM of the Albury & District Historical Society Inc will be held on Wednesday 11 June 2008 commencing at 7.30 pm at the Commercial Club.

Please give thought to the election of office-bearers and committee for the coming year.

Positions to be filled are: President, Snr & Jnr Vice-presidents, Secretary, Minute Secretary, Treasurer and six committee members. Nominations signed by two members and the nominee should be in the hands of the Secretary by 20 May.